

**City of Bayfield  
Parks & Recreation Committee Minutes  
February 4, 2021**

- Call to Order: 7:31 am via GoToMeeting by Chairwoman Kitchell
- Roll Call: Kate Kitchell, Matt Carrier, Diane Fizell, Skye Bingham, Keith Ray
- Others: Tom Kovachevich—PWD, Gordon Ringberg—Mayor, Sarah Mather—Office Assistant, Becky Zelent—RFR Director
- Approve Agenda: Ray/ Fizell. Carried.
- Minutes from January 7, 2020: Bingham/ Ray. Carried.
- Public Input: None.

Agenda (new format)

Permit Applications and Public Requests:

Standard Update Reports: Sarah, Tom, Park Adopters

1. Budget/Finance: Informational. Bird City has been paid.
2. Big Ravine Preserve/Iron Bridge: Grant for \$1,443 received from Apostle Islands Historic Preservation Conservancy for Iron Bridge plantings at Iron Bridge viewshed. Carrier is coordinating with Beth Cozzi—City Forester. Signage order is ready to be placed; waiting on permission from private properties the trail crosses to avoid reroute. Discussion if signs have gone to the Sign Committee and if it's a formality that would need to be followed. Kitchell will coordinate. Signs and pedestals are large—coordinate with Public Works for delivery. Directional sign design is still in the works.
3. Cooper Hill Park: Still being used.
4. Dalrymple Campground: None.
5. East Dock Park: Platform swing seats are broken down. Pully system on cable and rope toy needs new bearing. Ray will try to fix in the spring.
6. Halvor Reiten Park: None.
7. Turning Point Fountain: None.
8. Washington Ave. Lakefront & restrooms on Front St.: Adequate signage for restrooms on the restrooms or do each of the bathrooms need signs? Graffiti on Front St. bathroom—remove in spring.
9. Waterfront Walking Corridor (Jake's Park, Memorial Park Annex): None.

Other Parks/Trails Reports (if any):

1. Hillside Park (Baseball Field, School Garden) (under lease with school): None.
2. Soccer Field (under lease with school): None
3. Fountain Park (BHA): None
4. Korseberg Park (County): None.
5. Bayfield Area Trails (Kate)
  - a. Brownstone Trail—Exploring options for rerouting trail away from HWY 13. Appraisal for the possible purchase of the Maki property is still ongoing.

Launching a Green Infrastructure Program: Taskforce recommended to Council potential code revisions that would encourage and allow specific green infrastructure installation as well as

code revisions to help with erosion as it relates to new construction and site disturbance. Will go to committees for review next.

COVID-19 Report & Discussion: Our mask ordinance does not have a sunset date so it will stay in place. Restrooms may not have to be closed this summer.

Ongoing Business:

- Letters requesting permission for non-motorized trail access across 2 parcels of private property located west of N. Broad St.
  - Permission received from Emeline Larson via phone call: propose confirmation letter
  - Awaiting response for Daum property
- Letter to Mr. and Mrs. Schultz requesting permission for trail along lakeshore (update letter to reference trails successes in 2020)
- Review and discuss draft revised Outdoor Rec. Plan – on Google drive  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1X-ORWR92tqaVI4TlqyrAfmHYtHe2OQxH/edit>
- Discuss and Resolve Outstanding Issues:
  - Should we incorporate the “Fishing Pier” into East Dock Park?
  - Should we create another section for “Parks not Owned by the City”
    - Fountain Park – BHA
    - Korseberg Park - County
    - Skateboard Park – RFR
    - South Playground – School
    - Should we put parks managed by the school in this category? (soccer field, Hillside park etc.)
  - Should we drop Catholic Hill and Second District Parks from “Proposed Additional Parks...?”
  - Discuss Washington Ave. Lake Access: Matt
    - Should we envision this as a multiple-use park, including beach?
    - What should the name be?
  - Other comments?
  - Next steps:
    - Plan Comm. Comments Due 2/2
    - During February: Review by other committees: Public Works, Harbor, Tree Board
    - Post for public review: on City website; Chamber Blast
    - Invite public comment at March P&R Committee meeting.

New Business:

- Next Meeting: Discuss developing procedures and/or cost-sharing agreement with Bayfield Area Trails Committee for donations and projects that cross jurisdictional boundaries.
- 5 year CIP and Comp Plan Action Items

Next Meeting: March 4<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 a.m.